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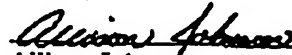
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CLAIMS AS FILED – PART I							
(Column 1)		(Column 2)		SMALL ENTITY		OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA		RATE	FEE		
BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.15(a))					\$	CR	\$
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	minus 20 =			X \$	=	OR	X \$
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	minus 3 =			X \$	=	OR	X \$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT (37 CFR 1.16(d))				+	\$	OR	+
				TOTAL		OR	TOTAL
<p>* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2.</p>							
CLAIMS AS AMENDED – PART II							
(Column 1)		(Column 2)		(Column 3)		SMALL ENTITY	
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA		OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))		Minus **		=		RATE	
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))		Minus ***		=		ADDITIONAL FEE	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))							
				TOTAL ADD'L FEE		OR TOTAL ADD'L FEE	
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(Column 1)		(Column 2)		(Column 3)		SMALL ENTITY	
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA		OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))		Minus **		=		RATE	
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))		Minus ***		=		ADDITIONAL FEE	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))							
				TOTAL ADD'L FEE		OR TOTAL ADD'L FEE	
<p>AMENDMENT A</p>							
(Column 1)		(Column 2)		(Column 3)		SMALL ENTITY	
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA		OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))		Minus **		=		RATE	
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))		Minus ***		=		ADDITIONAL FEE	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))							
				TOTAL ADD'L FEE		OR TOTAL ADD'L FEE	
<p>AMENDMENT B</p>							
(Column 1)		(Column 2)		(Column 3)		SMALL ENTITY	
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA		OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))		Minus **		=		RATE	
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))		Minus ***		=		ADDITIONAL FEE	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))							
				TOTAL ADD'L FEE		OR TOTAL ADD'L FEE	
<p>AMENDMENT C</p>							
(Column 1)		(Column 2)		(Column 3)		SMALL ENTITY	
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA		OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))		Minus **		=		RATE	
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))		Minus ***		=		ADDITIONAL FEE	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))							
				TOTAL ADD'L FEE		OR TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)
TOTAL CLAIMS	41	
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	41 minus 20 =	21
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	minus 3 =	2
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT <input type="checkbox"/>		

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

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	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	* 41	Minus SAME	=
Independent	* 5	Minus	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

SMALL ENTITY TYPE ☐ OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	370.00
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL	

RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	740.00
X\$18=	378.00
X84=	168.00
+280=	
TOTAL	1286.00

SMALL ENTITY OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
X84=	
+280=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

1-3003

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	*	Minus	=
Independent	*	Minus	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
X84=	
+280=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

8-2307

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	*	Minus	=
Independent	*	Minus	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
X84=	
+280=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

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